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## STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 45



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Maile Shimabukuro is the State Representative for Wai`anae, Mākaha, and Mākua. She is a Majority Whip, Vice Chair of the Higher Education committee, and a member of the Education, Transportation, Labor, and Public Safety/Military Affairs committees.

Maile graduated from the University of Hawai`i William S. Richardson School of Law, Colorado College, `Iolani School.

Maile is an attorney at a non profit legal services office in Wai`anae, and represents clients in public benefits, housing, family, and consumer matters. Maile has also worked as a law clerk for Hon. George Y. Kimura in State District Court; legal assistant to Alan B. Burdick, Esq.; research assistant to Professor Eric Yamamoto; and reporter for The Leeward Coaster.

Maile serves her community on the Wai`anae Coast Weed and Seed Task Force, which seeks to eradicate the drug epidemic by obtaining federal "weed and seed" designation for Wai`anae. She also serves as co-chair of the Weed and Seed Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment Sub-Committee, and her primary focus in this capacity has been job training. Maile is also a member of Empower Wai`anae, the Wai`anae Lion's Club, Envision Hawai`i, and the Welfare and Employment Rights Coalition.

Maile, who is half Okinawan and half Chinese, grew up in Wai`anae. She is the proud daughter of Karen Young, a nurse practitioner at Wai`anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center (WCCHC), and James Shimabukuro, a professor at Kapi`olani Community College. Her stepfather is Dr. Fred Dodge of WCCHC, and sister is Summer Shimabukuro. Maile's interests include surfing, the outdoors, politics, and travel.